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In re application of: Guido BAUMOLLER et al.

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For:

TISSUE PAPER PENETRATED WITH SOFTENING

LOTION

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

January 22, 2002

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- --3. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at least one liquid oil (A') selected from symmetric or asymmetric dialk(en)ylethers having from 12 to 24 C atoms and a linear or branched dialk(en)ylcarbonate derived from C 6 to 22 fatty alcohols.--
  - -4. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at

least one oil (A'') having a viscosity greater than 30 mPa $\bullet$ s and not more than 100 mPa $\bullet$ s measured with a Höppler falling sphere viscosimeter at 20°C (method DGF C-IV 7).--

- --5. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at least one liquid oil (A'') selected from glycerides, glyceride-based natural oils and hydrocarbon based oils.--
- --6. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises a mixture of at least one liquid oil (A') selected from symmetric or asymmetric dialk(en)ylethers having from 12 to 24 C atoms and linear or branched dialk(en)ylcarbonates derived from C 6 to 22 fatty alcohols and at least one liquid oil (A'') selected from glycerides, natural oils and hydrocarbon based oils.--
- --7. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the non-ionic surfactant (B) comprises a liquid polyol polyester wherein a polyhydric alcohol having at least two hydroxy groups is esterified with at least one acid having from 6 to 30 carbon atoms.--
- --9. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in the lotion further comprises a liquid ester of a sugar alcohol or anhydride thereof as coemulsifier.--

- --10. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the composition contains more than 0.5, but less than 5 weight % wax.--
- --11. (amended) Tissue paper according to claim 1, characterized in that the humectant is glycerol.--

## REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

### IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

- 3. Tissue paper according to claim 1-ex-2, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at least one liquid oil (A') selected from symmetric or asymmetric dialk(en)ylethers having from 12 to 24 C atoms and a linear or branched dialk(en)ylcarbonate derived from C 6 to 22 fatty alcohols.
  - 4. Tissue paper according to any of the preceding elaims, claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at least one oil (A'') having a viscosity greater than 30 mPa•s and not more than 100 mPa•s measured with a Höppler falling sphere viscosimeter at 20°C (method DGF C-IV 7).
  - 5. Tissue paper according to claim 1-er-4, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises at least one liquid oil (A'') selected from glycerides, glyceride-based natural oils and hydrocarbon based oils.
  - 6. Tissue paper according to any of the preceding claims, claim 1, characterized in that the oil component (A) comprises a mixture of at least one liquid oil (A') selected from symmetric or asymmetric dialk(en)ylethers having from 12 to 24 C atoms and linear or branched

dialk(en)ylcarbonates derived from C 6 to 22 fatty alcohols and at least one liquid oil (A'') selected from glycerides, natural oils and hydrocarbon based oils.

- 7. Tissue paper according to any of claims 1 through 6rclaim 1, characterized in that the non-ionic surfactant (B) comprises a liquid polyol polyester wherein a polyhydric alcohol having at least two hydroxy groups is esterified with at least one acid having from 6 to 30 carbon atoms.
- 9. Tissue paper according to any of claims 1 through 87claim 1, characterized in the lotion further comprises a liquid ester of a sugar alcohol or anhydride thereof as coemulsifier.
- 10. Tissue paper according to any of claims 1 through  $9_{\tau}$  claim 1, characterized in that the composition contains more than 0.5, but less than 5 weight % wax.
- 11. Tissue paper according to any of claims 1 through 10 claim 1, characterized in that the humectant is glycerol.